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To whom it may concern;

I think that the government has been too easy on Microsoft, especially since the new administration took over.

I have been in the computer business since 1949 and have never seen such a devastating monopoly as Microsoft in this or any business. They have stifled competition by more than one means. Today, for example, I went to look for computers for some of my clients and couldn't find ANY personal computers that were sold WITHOUT Windows XP (which is insidious, invasive software) and either Microsoft Office or Microsoft Works "bundled" with the computer. If these are forced on the purchaser, what normal buyer would go out and buy any competitive software when the Microsoft "junque" is included "FREE!". What software developer could fight that? There are only a few specialty applications that are sold by any company other than Microsoft, and I can see Microsoft inching up on them also.

If we don't do something to encourage other software developers, the only choice other than Microsoft will be with the Apple family of computers. And even there, Microsoft is creeping in.

Please take care of Microsoft properly before we have only Microsoft software in the whole world!!!

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